



Imperial War Museum Duxford (188)

Wed, 18th Mar 2020

Estimate: £16000 - £20000 + Fees

1943 Dodge WC63 6x6 Subject to a two-year restoration

Registration No: KXS 901

Chassis No: 82012303

MOT: Exempt

- Believed to have served in the European theatre in WW2
- Subject to a two-year restoration
- Acquired in Belgium in 2017 as a non- runner barn find Dodge WC63 'Dotty' has had a two-year restoration with photographs covering every stage. It was a labour of love by its current owner who happens to be a former Army Captain in the Royal Logistics Corps. Acquired in Belgium in 2017 as a non- runner, he was told it had been in the French fire service until the 1980s after being given to the French government as part of the USA Lend/Lease scheme. As such it is believed to have served in the European theatre in WW2. After its disposal it was owned by a company fitting telegraph poles until acquired by a Belgian farmer in whose barn it lay for twenty years.

There has been immense attention to detail including all woodwork being of American White Oak to match the original used. The markings are British and represent the Airborne RASC. This unit is the wartime equivalent of the unit the owner served with in the 1990s which had been involved in Operation Market Garden in 1944. Nicknamed 'Dotty', it has attended the 75th anniversaries of D-Day and Arnhem and been featured in fundraising for the Pilgrim Bandits, the charity of Ben Parkinson MBE.